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## **DU-COMM**

## DuPage Public Safety Communications



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Ms. Donna R. Searcy Secretary Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street N.W. Room 222 Washington, D.C. 20554

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Dear Ms. Searcy,

DU-COMM (DuPage Public Safety Communications) is an Intergovernmental Agency formed in 1975 to provide Emergency Communication Services to several Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Departments. Currently, DU-COMM serves 27 Agencies covering about 450,000 residents of DuPage County. located 25 miles southwest of the city of Chicago.

We utilize a combination of UHF, VHF, 800 MHz, and microwave systems to communicate to our member agencies. This communications system is comprised of 9 towers, 37 transmitters and 120 receivers, as well as over 3,000 portables, pagers and mobile units. The systems were designed to provide a good level service, officer safety, expanding jurisdictional boundaries, and affordability to our public safety agencies.

While we favor the opportunity through this proposal to obtain additional channels, we are concerned about the costs and time frame associated with this proposal.